Appln. No. 10/018,987 Amdt. dated September 8, 2003 Reply to Office Action of June 4, 2003

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The Office Action mailed June 4, 2003 has been carefully considered by applicant.

In accordance with the Examiner's objection, the Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended to conform with formal requirements.

In the Office Action, claims 2-4, 6 and 7 are allowed.

Claims 8-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e). By the present amendment, claims 8-10 are canceled.

The present application is thus believed in condition for allowance with claims 2-4, 6 and 7. Passage as such is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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